REMARKS

Claims 2-8, 17, 21, 28, 32-33, 35, 37, and 39-41 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 9-10, 16, 20, 22-27, 29-31, 34, 36, 38, 42-49 are hereby canceled. With respect to Claims 2-8, the claims have been amended to depend from Claim 21 which is now believed to be in a condition for allowance. Claims 7-8 have been amended to overcome the pending rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, paragraph 2, reconsideration is respectfully requested and allowance solicited. By this paper Claims 17, 32, and 33 have been amended to depend from Claim 28 which is believed to be in a condition for allowance. By this paper Claims 39-41 have been amended to depend (either directly or indirectly) from Claim 37 which is believed to be in a condition for allowance. As all pending Claims depend from claims indicated to be allowable it is believed that no additional substantive examination is necessary. In light of the forgoing, reconsideration and allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited.

CONCLUSIONS

In light of the forgoing, reconsideration and allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited.

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